



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
**MARCH 25, 2014**  
WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen Members.

**Members present:** Richard Gray, Jr., Dan Gordon and Ray Bates. Jonathan Adams and Ronnie Brann were absent.

**Public Attending:** Tom Reed.

**Employees Attending:** Tim Coston (*Transfer Station Supervisor and Animal Control Officer*) and Debbie French (*Secretary to the BOS*).

Ray Bates called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Previous Meeting Minutes:**

**Rick Gray, Jr. made a motion to approve the Minutes dated 3-11-14 and Special Minutes from Budget Committee/Board of Selectmen's Meeting dated 3-18-14 as written seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 3-0-0.**

**Public Comment:**

- a) Tom Reed said that there are a couple of trees that are leaning into Oak Hill Cemetery that belong to the neighboring landowner. His question is if they fall will that landowner be responsible for the damage. It was suggested that the Cemetery Committee address this issue and submit a recommendation to the BOS.
- b) Rick said that he spoke with the owner of Maple Farm Inn about the old big trees bordering the Greeley Road and he is willing to work with the town on this.
- c) Ray said that he drove by Resthaven Cemetery and noticed that there is one gigantic tree at the further end and down behind it there is another one that is mostly dead. There was much discussion regarding these cemeteries and the removal of these trees.
- d) The Civil War Re-enactors will be at Resthaven to dedicate a Medal of Honor Stone for Thomas O'Connell in June.

**Public Works:** None.

**Transfer Station:**

- a) Tim said things have been quiet.
- b) The wood pile has been burned.
- c) Ray read a request for permission for a town resident to have someone clean out her home for her and take the trash to the Transfer Station. **Rick Gray, Jr. made a motion to approve the Permit Letter seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 3-0-0. Rick Gray, Jr. made a motion to approve Ray Bates to sign the letter seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 3-0-0.**

**Consideration of Payment Warrants # 42 and # 43:**

Rick asked why mileage is not part of payroll. Debbie said that mileage is simply a reimbursement. The BOS might look into a different way of paying the mileage. Rick also asked if we are the Fire Department's checking

account. It was explained that they have a certain amount in the Town Budget and they raise the remaining amount themselves.

**Rick Gray, Jr. made a motion to approve warrants # 42, and # 43 seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 3-0-0.**

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Town Manager's Items:**

Theresa is on vacation so there are no Town Manager items for this meeting.

**Selectmen's Items:**

- a) Ray read an invitation to the BOS for Debbie French's 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary renewing of vows on April 18<sup>th</sup>.
- b) Ray updated the BOS on the Windsor Withdrawal Committee and said that we have officially been offered and agreement from RSU 2 for our school of choice. Windsor would have to pay for a Special Education Teacher if needed. Ray said that if the teacher is only going to be used for Windsor students, that is fine but if he/she is to be shared with all the towns then Windsor should not foot the whole bill. Ray added that they are continuing to work with the Windsor Withdrawal Committee and RSU 12. Two members in the audience of the RSU Meeting didn't like the language of the agreement and felt that there might be detrimental to some students on receiving a diploma. Ray said the preliminary budget for RSU 12 is finished and the bottom line is – Windsor's Local Education Share will be \$1.8 million (\$12,000.00 per student). There is another meeting on this budget at Chelsea tonight at this time and Ray has been told that someone wants to add more to the budget for building. Much discussion.
- c) Ray received a letter from the membership committee of the Maine Association of Assessing Officers. Ray said that we should give this to Theresa to see about this ... maybe Vern is a member of the MAAO.

**Chairman Ray Bates adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.**

These minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on **April 8, 2014 as read.**

**There will be a Budget Committee Meeting on April 1, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.**

**The next Regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be on April 8, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie French  
Secretary to the Board of Selectmen